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To: Stepp, Cathy [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=befdafc0fa1a425eae232f60ad9bda1d-Stepp, Cath]
Subject: FW: EPA Sterigenics webpage

FYI

From: Woods, Clint
Sent: Tuesday, October 9, 2018 10:45 AM
To: Thiede, Kurt <thiede.kurt@epa.gov>
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Subject: Re: EPA Sterigenics webpage

Kurt,

I believe we are in the process of getting the Mayor more info. Thanks!

On Oct 9, 2018, at 7:50 AM, Thiede, Kurt <thiede.kurt@epa.gov> wrote:

Clint and Nancy,

We are looking for guidance on how we should respond. Or, if this is a response that you would prefer to come through HQ.

Thanks,
Kurt

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Stepp, Cathy" <stepp.cathy@epa.gov>
Date: October 8, 2018 at 5:12:09 PM CDT
To: "Thiede, Kurt" <thiede.kurt@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: EPA Sterigenics webpage

Thoughts?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mayor Mickey <Mickey@mayormickey.com>
Date: October 2, 2018 at 12:12:47 PM CDT
To: "'Stepp, Cathy'" <stepp.cathy@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: EPA Sterigenics webpage

Dear Cathy,

Thank you for the update, but it appears to me that additional information and clarification is necessary? I think this excerpt will likely just increase the health scare, unless it included more details as to what level of exposure is necessary:

“ATSDR concluded: “if measured and modeled data represent typical ethylene oxide ambient concentrations in ambient air, an elevated cancer risk exists for residents and offsite workers in the Willowbrook community surrounding the Sterigenics facility. These elevated risks present a public health hazard to these populations.”

For example, one of your high ranking EPA officials told me that the cancer risk was only greater assuming you were sitting in a lawn chair with “70 years of exposure 24 hours per day”. Why wasn’t something like that clearly specified?

Also, why weren’t the results of the most recent Stack Test included and explained in layman’s terms. (Pardon me if I missed them.)

Thank you for your efforts.

All the best, Mickey

Mickey Straub

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Subject: EPA Sterigenics webpage

Good Morning –

I wanted to let you all know the EPA Sterigenics webpage has been expanded to include additional information to help explain the work being done in and around the Sterigenics facility in Willowbrook, IL. Thank you all for your attention to this matter, as well as your willingness to work with us to understand how best to communicate to the community.

The webpage can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/il/sterigenics-willowbrook-facility>

Thank you,

Cathy Stepp
Regional Administrator